

CRUSHED UNDER
CAVALRYCowed Strikers in Trench
Wire District

FIVE PEOPLE WERE KILLED

And Eighty Were Seriously Hurt When
the Horsemen Rode Into Their Midst
—Two Leaders Have Been Arrested.

Paris, June 20.—Premier Clemenceau today received official word that the number of casualties in yesterday's rioting at Narbonne, the center of the affected wine growing district, is five killed and 80 seriously injured. Scores received minor injuries, such as broken heads and slight stab wounds, of which no mention is made. The injured were all victims of charges made by the cavalry to break down the barricades which were erected in the street by strikers.

Today's news indicates that the prompt action of the cavalry has brought about a calm and that the government has the upper hand. There is no looting and no present possibility of mob rule.

Ferroul, the striking mayor of Narbonne and, next to Maselin Albert, the most prominent figure in the wine growers' revolt, yesterday was arrested at his residence at Narbonne and taken to Montpellier. Before daybreak all roads leading to Ferroul's house were held by cuirassiers in strong force. His body-guard of wine growers, among whom were many Anzons who have been nightly watching over the safety of their leader, was on duty as usual, but when the wine growers found themselves surrounded by troops they did not resist.

When Ferroul appeared in the custody of the police commissary the crowd threatened to rescue him but the mayor begged that there be no conflict with the troops and was placed in a car, escorted by cuirassiers, taken to the station at Narbonne, where a special train conveyed him to Montpellier. Intense excitement prevails at Narbonne, but people thus far have been overawed by the military display.

Marcelin Albert Arrested.
Montpellier Department of Herrault, France, June 20.—Ex-mayor of Narbonne and the wine growers' committee member arrested at Argelliers arrived here yesterday and was removed to jail, which was guarded by a regiment of infantry. Later in the day Marcelin Albert, leader of the wine growers' movement, was arrested and brought here to custody.

GROVER CLEVELAND
OUT OF DANGER

Former President Passed Crisis of Disease
Last Night—His Family Is Very
Reluctant About Nature of
Illness.

Princeton, N. J., June 20.—Former President Cleveland, who is suffering from a stomach trouble at his home here, was reported much improved today. The crisis of his disease came last evening and the physicians say that the patient is now out of danger. While the family decline to discuss the nature of his sickness, it is understood that the former president is suffering from malignant growth.

ELECTED PRESIDENT OF COLLEGE.

The Rev. J. H. George of Burlington May
Go to Missouri.

St. Louis, Mo., June 20.—The Rev. J. H. George of Burlington, Vermont, was elected president of Drury college yesterday.

CLAIMS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Brown University Defeated Alabama
University, 9 to 0.

Providence, R. I., June 20.—Brown again defeated the University of Alabama yesterday easily winning the commencement game in the presence of the usual alumni crowd, 9 to 0. As Brown has not been defeated in any college game all game this year, it will claim the college championship.

WILL PREVENT STRIKE.

Agreement Reached With Telegraph
Operators.

New York, June 20.—An agreement was reached this afternoon between operators and telegraph companies, which will undoubtedly prevent the strike scheduled for next week.

Sherman P. Allen, a former member of the Burlington Free Press staff and for some time the private secretary to the assistant secretary of the navy in Washington, will relinquish the latter position October 1 to become one of the Washington correspondents of The New York Herald.

Among the class day speakers at Brown university, Providence, R. I., was Harold Dana Bruce, of Montevideo, who won three prizes for excellence in oratory during his course and who was captain of the Brown debating team. His subject was "The United States as a World Power."

BY GRANITE MARKER.

Bennington Commemorates The Editorial
Labors of Garrison.

Bennington, June 20.—The undertaking began a number of years ago of placing a marker on the site of different historical spots in this town was renewed yesterday when a handsome marker was set up on the spot where William Lloyd Garrison published the Journal of the Times from Oct. 3, 1828 to March 27, 1829.

The exercises were of an interesting character and well attended. The dedicatory prayer was by the Rev. Frank R. Morris of the Baptist church. The dedicatory address was by Rev. Dr. Isaac Jennings, pastor of the church where Garrison worshipped when he lived at Bennington Center. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. George Sherman of Bennington. A male quartette, composed of Arthur Hollister, Fred Hollister, E. E. Long and Andrew Maurer, sang "America" and "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

The marker, which stands in the center of the south park on Monument avenue is of Barre granite, 6 feet high, 4 feet wide, 2 feet thick and weighs about eight tons. It stands about three rods west of where the Journal used to be printed. On one side of it is a bronze tablet 4 feet by 2 feet 6 inches in relief work. On the top of it in relief is the representation of an old fashioned printing press. Just below the press in raised letters is this inscription: "Fifty feet west of this spot William Lloyd Garrison edited the Journal of the Times, October 3, 1828-March 27, 1829. Hither came Benjamin Lundy to enlist him in the cause of the slave December 25, 1828. Garrison departed hence to lift up in Baltimore the Banner of Immediate Emancipation." The cost of the marker has been largely borne by citizens.

MARSHFIELD MAN
TREADED BY BIG BUCK

Mayo Wyman Started to Rescue Dog
and Got Chased By The Angry
Deer.

Marshfield, June 20.—County Warden Pike has frequent complaints of dogs running here, but when the complaint of a big buck chasing the dog and treading its owner came to his notice, it seems that the game laws must be revised. While at work on his land on Knobb hill, Tuesday Mayo Wyman heard his big dog barking as he supposed, at a "chuck." After a time, upon investigation, he found his dog spinning around, either from the horns or hoofs of a deer.

The dog took a bee-line for his master, and the deer followed at more than a lively pace. Mayo thought it time to get out of harm's way, so up an apple tree went he, the dog and deer circling the tree below him. The dog took refuge under a wagon and Mr. Deer stood viewing his enemy, contemplating a way to get at him. Finally Mayo thought it time to come down and look after things. He drove the buck away, but as the animal seemed inclined to move on only a few paces, he took the team and dog and gave the deer possession during the rest of the day.

NOT A GIRL IN CLASS.

Eveless Paradise at Burr and Burton
Seminary, '07.

Manchester, June 20.—The 77 anniversary and commencement exercises of Burr and Burton seminary were held yesterday afternoon at Misses hall before a large audience. Walter S. Burroughs, professor of Greek at Middlebury, addressed the graduating class on "Going to College."

The members of the class are Harold Abbott of Hartford, A. B. Bacon of Londonderry, Walter C. Beck of Manchester, Guy L. Davis of Londonderry, Arthur B. Deane of Shoreham, Charles H. Gray of Sunderland, Cedric P. Sibley of Bennington, Leslie H. Towsey and Lewis L. Towsey of Manchester. This is the first time since the early years of the institution that the graduating class has been without young women.

HIGH WATER DOES DAMAGE.

Rutland Streets and Lawns are Badly
Torn.

Rutland, June 20.—A flood which has not been equaled since the memorable freshet of 1860, occurred here yesterday afternoon during a terrific thunderstorm, when a cloudburst resulted in rain falling violently for more than two hours, washing out roads and lawns, tearing out culverts and sewers and doing heavy damage throughout the town. Church street was washed out its entire length, complete lines of water pipes, four and five feet under ground, being laid bare.

AGED ST. JOHNSBURY PHYSICIAN.

Dies After Long Illness, Leaving Widow
and Three Children.

St. Johnsbury, June 20.—Dr. J. D. Folsom, who has practiced medicine in this place for 35 years, died last night following an illness of two years. He was born 73 years ago and is survived by a widow, two daughters and one son, all of St. Johnsbury. Dr. Folsom graduated from the Dartmouth medical college and took a post-graduate at the Girard college in Philadelphia. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

VERMONT MAN CHOSEN.

Principal of Brewster Free Academy at
Wolfboro, N. H.

Wolfboro, N. H., June 20.—At the annual meeting of the trustees of the Brewster Free academy here Tuesday evening Dr. Charles S. Munkland of Middlebury, Vt., was elected principal of the academy, vice Edwin H. Lord, deceased. Dr. Munkland was formerly president of the state college, but of late has devoted his time exclusively to literary pursuits.

President Carroll D. Wright of Clark college, Worcester, Mass., was elected a member of the board of trustees.

AGED MAN
TRIED TO DIESanford Heath of Cambridge
Cut His Throat

WILL PROBABLY RECOVER

While His Wife Was Visiting Her
Daughter in Elmore He Did the
Deed, Being Found When She
Returned.

Cambridge, June 20.—Sanford Heath, an elderly man, tried to commit suicide last night by cutting his throat with a razor, but it is expected that he will recover, as he is doing well today. The deed was discovered by his wife when she returned from a visit to her daughter in Elmore. No cause is known for the desire to kill himself. He resided with his oldest grandson, George Powell, whose residence is about two and one-half miles from Jeffersonville. Mr. Heath is 75 years of age.

SHOT HIMSELF IN TEMPLE.

And Warren Worthen of Plymouth, N.
H., Cannot Live.

Plymouth, N. H., June 20.—Warren Worthen, a well known and prosperous farmer, living in Hollisworth, aged about 70 years, shot himself with a revolver last evening, the ball entering the skull near the temple, making probably a fatal wound. No cause is known for his rash action, and dependency on that account may be the cause.

Several years ago Mr. Worthen came near losing his life at the railroad station here by being run over by a locomotive. He lost an arm, part of a foot and received other severe injuries for which the railroad company paid him a few thousand dollars. He had several children.

GETS DAMAGE FROM TOWN.

For Defective Highway Which Caused
an Injury.

Woodstock, June 20.—The case of Barbara vs. the Town of Crafton, a verdict was rendered for the plaintiff to recover \$328.25 damages and costs. The case was brought to recover damages for injuries claimed to have been received by reason of an alleged defective highway in said town. The defects complained of consisted of rotten planks in a bridge over which the plaintiff was driving, which, it is alleged, gave way, the plaintiff being thrown from his carriage. The accident occurred April 29, 1905. The bridge complained of is near the residence of Charles Stowe, in the vicinity of the village of Houghtonville. The plaintiff lives at Ludlow and asked \$2,000 compensation. Stickney, Sargent and Skeels appears for the plaintiff and Pierce and W. B. C. Stickney for the defendant.

Yesterday afternoon a jury was empaneled in the case of the Natick-Undersea Co. vs. Ryves & Hills, of Springfield. The case was brought to recover the value of underwear ordered by the defendant merchants, about \$100. The defense is that the goods were never delivered. F. H. Spaulding appears for the plaintiff and Blanchard and Tupper for the defendant.

MARRIED IN COURT.

Arthur Teft and Ethel Akin, Former
Charged With Rape.

Hyde Park, June 20.—Lamoille county court opened yesterday with the case of Orlo Hill, adultery. Hill pleaded "not guilty" and a jury was empaneled. Case of state vs. Ida Benson. She pleaded guilty to adultery and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$300 without costs. The fine was paid.

Case against Arthur Teft, rape on one Ethel Akin. He pleaded guilty and after consideration agreed to marry the girl. The ceremony was performed by Justice of the Peace Walcott. Sentence of not more than five years and not less than four was given and the respondent was placed in the hands of probation officer in Potter vs. Potter, divorce. Morrisville, decision was not rendered.

SIX VIOLENT DEATHS.

Unprecedented Record for 30 Days at
White River Junction.

White River Junction, June 20.—During the past 30 days there have occurred in this village and immediate vicinity, six violent deaths, namely: The death of Alexander Lewars, caused by the explosion of a kerosene lamp, May 16; the suicide of Peter Laugier at Rutland, May 23; the drowning of Stephen Hall and Jerry O'Mera at Wilder, June 3; and the instant death of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wood, caused by a runaway horse, June 17.

DEATH OF SARAH STONE.

End Came to Cabot Woman After Long
Suffering.

Cabot, June 20.—Mrs. Sarah Stone died at the home of her son, Justin Stone, yesterday morning, aged 75 years. She came after long suffering. She leaves two sons, Justin and William. The funeral was held this afternoon at two o'clock, the Rev. F. E. Currier officiating. The burial was in the lower village cemetery.

WILLSON FOR GOVERNOR.

Nominated Without Opposition By Re-
publicans of Kentucky.

Louisville, June 20.—Augustus E. Willson of Louisville was nominated last night by acclamation as Republican candidate for governor of Kentucky at the state convention in session at the Coliseum. He had no opposition.

DEATH OF GEORGE T. BLAIR.

Prominent Resident of Barre Had Been
Ill for a Year.

St. Johnsbury, June 20.—George T. Blair, the most prominent man of West Barre, died at his home in that place Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock after a year's illness.

Mr. Blair was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1836 and came to Peacham in 1849. He enlisted in Co. B, 1st Vt. Cav., and served until the discharge of the regiment soon after the battle of Cedar Creek. He was quartermaster-sergeant of the company at the time of his discharge and at the time of his death was a member of the local G. A. R. He was a member of the board of trustees of the California county grammar schools in 1884 and was secretary and treasurer of the board in 1888. He was at one time justice of the peace and for many years was postmaster. He was a director of the California Savings bank since its organization and recently has been vice-president of the institution. He represented his town in the state legislature of 1880 and again in 1900 and was a member of the senate in 1890. Mr. Blair engaged in mining in California and was very successful for six years. He is survived by a wife and four children, three daughters and one son.

GRADUATION AT RUTLAND.

Class of 41 Received Diplomas This
Afternoon.

Rutland, June 20.—The graduation exercises of the Rutland high school were held at the opera house this afternoon, the commercial and academic departments holding joint exercises for the first time in the history of the school. This is the result of the board of education placing the business department on a four years' basis to be run in connection with the high school. The speaker of the day was Lieut. Gov. George H. Prouty of Newport.

There were 20 graduates in the academic department and 21 in the commercial school. Three post graduate diplomas were awarded. Miss Florence May Cootney, was valedictorian. She read an essay on "Why Should Vermonters be Proud of Their State?" The salutatorian, Frederick Beauchamp, took as the topic for his essay, "The United States Army."

The Rutland high school association held a banquet last evening, about 125 people participating. Lee H. Hulet, formerly of the university of Vermont, was toastmaster. Among the toasts responded to was one, "The Rutland Academy," by Mrs. Walter C. Dutton, a member of the first graduating class, 1859.

NEARLY DIED FROM HEAT.

Young Rodman at Brattleboro Was Un-
conscious Many Hours.

Brattleboro, June 20.—Horace Scott of this town, a member of the class of 1909, Benseler Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., employed as a rodman with a gang of surveyors at the site of the proposed dam across the Connecticut, was prostrated by sunstroke at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon. He was carried to the shade of a tree by his companions in an unconscious condition and physicians were summoned from this town. Drs. A. J. Miller and G. R. Anderson made the run of six miles in eight minutes by automobile.

It was thought the young man would die and his relatives were summoned, but after being packed in ice until midnight consciousness was restored and Mr. Scott was brought to Brattleboro yesterday afternoon in a fair way to recover.

TWO ARRESTS MADE.

In Searching for Murderers of J. T.
Rosenheimer.

Pellham, N. Y., June 20.—Two self-confessed hoboes were arrested here today by a posse of deputy sheriffs who were searching for the men who murdered Julius T. Rosenheimer, the millionaire needle manufacturer. They tell conflicting tales of recent movements. The police are now working on the theory that robbery was the motive of the crime. It is believed that the assailants were Italians.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

C. W. Van Cor was in Northfield on
business today.

Edward Hall of Williamstown was in the city on business today.

J. W. Dunshee of Northfield called on friends in the city today.

Miss Annie Sharkey went to Richmond this morning on a visit with friends.

Miss Rose Cook and Bernard Grimes went to town yesterday to attend the funeral of William S. Haley.

Among the arrivals at the City hotel today are C. E. Catlin, Albany, N. Y.; C. C. Baker, Boston; Edward Trippe, Philadelphia; R. A. Warren, New York.

Supr. O. D. Mathewson of the Barre city school was yesterday elected a trustee of Lyndon Institute, Lyndon, of which institution he is a graduate.

A man giving his name as C. A. Keizer was arrested this forenoon by Deputy Sheriff H. J. Slayton. When arrested he was asleep near the gas plant.

Mrs. Laura Cummings of Hardyville will hold religious services for the spiritualist society next Sunday, June 23, at 3 p. m., and 7:30 in the evening. South Barre.

Among the arrivals at the Northern Hotel yesterday were W. P. Harriman of South Hyattsville, E. A. Sanderson of Northfield, W. F. O'Neill of Springfield, Mass., P. H. O'Neill of Bolton and James P. Nelson of St. Albans.

Perley J. Buchanan of this city, a graduate of Goddard seminary, received the degree of bachelor of science in chemical engineering from Tufts college, Medford, Mass., yesterday. Tufts gave 219 degrees this year, making the record for that institution. Fred W. Burnham, a teacher at Goddard, received a degree of master of arts in Latin and Greek.

DROVERS GET
INTO COURTMartin Rowell Charged B.
Frank Ricker With Fraud

AND GETS BIG DAMAGES

Alleged That He Gave Ricker \$1,175
Worth of Sheep, for Which He, Pow-
ell, Never Received Pay—Jury
Sides With Powell.

Chelsea, June 20.—The last civil case to be tried by jury at this term of Orange county court was Martin Powell against B. Frank Ricker both parties being drovers from Randolph. The allegations set forth in the plaintiff's declaration were that the defendant on Dec. 19th 1905 obtained from him, the plaintiff, \$1,175 worth of fat sheep to ship to market on the statement that a check payable to the defendant's order was enroute from Boston, having been advanced by the Boston parties who were to have the sheep, and that it would be received at Randolph on the evening of the day that the sheep were shipped. From this check the plaintiff should have been paid for the sheep.

The evidence on behalf of the plaintiff satisfied the jury that Mr. Rowell did not receive the pay for his sheep, as agreed by the defendant and that he had never received his pay for the sheep, that there was no check enroute from Boston as claimed by the defendant and that because of these facts they rendered a verdict declaring the defendant guilty of having obtained the sheep by means of fraudulent representations and awarded damages to the plaintiff in the sum of \$1,322.21, and for the plaintiff to recover his costs. M. M. Wilson and Stanley C. Wilson were counsel for Mr. Rowell and R. M. Harvey and Daniel S. Conant were counsel for Mr. Ricker.

The first case on the criminal docket was State vs. Arthur Ashdab, breach of the peace and the respondent pleaded guilty. Second case State vs. John Ashdab, father of respondent No. 1, residing on an officer. The prisoner was allowed to plead guilty to simple assault which plea was satisfactory to the state's attorney and was accepted by the court.

HEARING IN BARRE
IS POSTPONED

On New Central Vermont Station, Pend-
ing Negotiations With the Montpel-
ier & Wells River R. R. for
Union Structure.

The hearing which was to be held in this city today before the state railroad commission on the petition for a new Central Vermont station has been continued to Wednesday, July 3, at the request of General Manager Jones of the railroad company. Mr. Jones states that he wishes to confer with the Montpelier & Wells River railroad concerning union depot before the commission meets and hears the complaints of Barre citizens. He wishes also to consider certain other plans before the meeting. So the commissioners granted his request for a continuance.

The board yesterday afternoon ordered an engineer to submit a dangerous grade crossing over the Central Vermont railroad at West Berlin. They first heard the petition of the selectmen of the town at the commission headquarters in Montpelier and then went over and inspected the premises. Although none had been killed at this crossing for some time the commissioners deemed it a very dangerous place. The approach of the railroad track is hidden by a curved cut, and a train is nearly on the crossing before it can be seen.

To avoid the danger the board ordered that the highway be relaid for a distance, swerving so that it will intersect the railroad near the bridge crossing the Dog River. Then using an abutment of the railroad bridge as one side of the underpass, a dry-ditch will be constructed, thirteen feet high.

TO BEGIN WORK MONDAY.

Contractors Preparing to Bring Pure
Water to Swanton.

Swanton, June 20.—Representatives of Ames & Co. of Saranac, N. Y., the firm of successful builders, which is to put in a new water system for Swanton village were here this week and signed the contract with the village trustees for completing the work, as agreed, and furnishing the required amount of bonds about \$15,000. It is intended to begin work next Monday, June 24, with a force of about fifty Italians, at or near Fairfield pond, working toward Swanton, increasing the force of help by gangs of men at different points along the line, as required. The contractors probably will employ as many as 150 men when the work is well started.

The work is to be completed by January 1, 1908, with a bonus per day for earlier completion, and a forfeit per day required if not completed at stated time.

TWO NEGLIGENCE SUITS.

Rutland Railroad and Vermont Marble
Co. the Defendants.

Rutland, June 20.—Two negligence suits were filed in Rutland county court yesterday. Mrs. Anna Harnden seeks to recover \$5,000 damages from the Rutland Railroad company for alleged injuries received when thrown to the station platform by shunting cars against the car she was entering.

Fremont Winship claims similar damages from the Vermont Marble company for injuries said to have been caused by a falling derrick caused by the breaking of a rotten pulley while he was at work at Mount Taber.

M. S. GRADUATION
WAS HELD TO-DAY

Diplomas Awarded and the Winners of
Prizes Announced at School Chapel.

The graduation exercises of Montpelier seminary were held today in the school chapel. Diplomas were granted to the following young people:

Latin-scientific course—Grace Allen of Ferrisburgh, Ruth Parker of Johnson and Ada Peck of Johnson.

College preparatory—Margaret Edgerton of Northfield, Clinton Goodenough of Barton Landing and James Seaver of Wareham, Mass.

Modern course—Sadie Boyce of Williamstown, Bertha Clogston of Williamstown, Sadie Pond of East Berkshire, Finet Williams of Putney, Charles Adams of Randolph, Howard Bulkeley of Waterbury, Glenn Carpenter of Cabot, Edward Clark of Williamstown, Stephen Collins of St. Albans, Albert Elson of Randolph, Earl Parker of Walsfield and Walter Wilcox of Montevideo.

Elocution course—Bertha Clogston of Williamstown.

Piano course—Erna Brown of Sheffield, Amy Goodspeed of Montgomery and Dorothy Parker of Montgomery.

Commercial course—Lewis M. Searcy of Calais, Edward Burnham of Calais and Albert March of Wills River.

Shorthand course—Gertrude Chessee of Morrisville, Mattie Gould of Danville, Achsah Gurnsey of Rochester, Maude Johnson of Montevideo and Hazel Trounbley of Barton Landing.

Prizes Announced.

Following the award of diplomas the winners of prizes were given out as follows:

Declamation—H. Ray Hall, Harold Bishop, Agnes Warren and Dorothy Parker.

Prize debate—Charles Adams, first, and Harold Bishop, second.

Best rank in school—Walter Wilcox, first, and Charles Adams, second; same for young ladies, Dorothy E. Parker, first and Margaret Edgerton, second.

Best essay—James M. Seaver.

Best scholarship, senior class—Grace Allen.

Just before the heavy shower yesterday afternoon the physical culture class of 20 young ladies marched to the campus and gave a broom drill that was loudly applauded. They went through various evolutions with the precision of veterans.

The annual meeting of the trustees was held late in the afternoon. U. S. Senator Redfield Proctor and the Hon. J. B. Hall of Groton whose time expired this year were re-elected for four years. The Hon. Dr. E. O. Thayer of Barre was added to the executive committee. When Rev. Dr. E. A. Bishop, the principal, gave a verbal report on his recent trip through the far West in the interests of the endowment he brought out the expression that the cost of his trip was money well expended.

Principal Bishop, Henry Holt of Montpelier, treasurer of the institution, the Rev. Dr. E. O. Thayer of Barre and a member of the faculty and under graduates to be named later were appointed a committee to prepare rules and by laws to govern all athletic matters and events at the seminary.

Alumni Choose Officers.

The annual meeting of the alumni association was held at six o'clock last evening in the parlors of the boarding house. W. E. Newton of Union Village was elected president for the year ending; W. L. Pomeroy of Enosburg Falls, Miss Emily Glover of Montpelier and Ralph Hoyt of Cabot, vice-presidents; David D. Whitney of Brookfield, secretary; L. J. Hathaway of Montpelier, treasurer; W. B. Jones of Montpelier, J. L. Ross of Burlington and Mr. R. E. Bacon of North Charlestown, N. H., executive committee.

United States Senator W. P. Dillingham was re-elected a trustee of the seminary for four years from the alumni association. Two hundred or more students and members of the alumni met down at seven o'clock last night at the annual banquet of the alumni association which was served in the main dining hall at the boarding house. The Rev. W. M. Newton of Springfield acted as toastmaster at the after dinner exercises.

BARRE LODGE, N. E. O. P.

WERE GOOD LOSERS

Paid Forfeit to Montpelier Lodge for
Failing to Get the Most Mem-
bers in Stated Time.

Last January the Standard Lodge, No. 127, New England Order of Protection, of Montpelier, sent a challenge to Barre Lodge, No. 138, to enter into a membership contest with the conditions that the lodge getting the most members to join their lodge before April 30 should be treated to a banquet at the expense of the loser. Barre accepted the challenge and last evening paid the banquet at the Montpelier lodge swamped the local order in the membership getting 141 members to Barre's eight.

Barre lodge arranged to pay their forfeit and invited the Montpelier lodge to be present and an invitation was also extended to the Northfield lodge. The regular meeting of the Barre lodge was held first, after which remarks were made by visitors and local members and the following program was rendered: Duet, Mrs. W. S. Bassett and Richard Voyle; reading, Miss Bertha Nason; vocal solo, Miss Florence Prescott; reading, Miss Eva Smith.

At the close of the program the company then marched to the vestry of the Universalist church, where the banquet was served. The Barre lodge showed that they were good losers and provided for an excellent banquet, which was served for them by the ladies of the Episcopal church. The Universalist vestry was used on account of the Episcopal vestry not being large enough. Nearly 150 people were served. Music was furnished during the banquet by James Elley.

J. O. Blodden returned to-day from a business visit in Newport.

There will be a meeting of the Barre fire department at the Central station Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. It is requested that all members be present. Per order acting chief.

LIGHTNING
FIRED HOUSEDuring Heavy Electrical Storm
In This City

SMALL DAMAGE WAS DONE

John Marchias's Unoccupied House on
Pleasant Street Was Target for One
Bolt and E. J. Sowden's House
on Tremont St. for Another.

Following a day of oppressive heat, heavy rain-storm brought relief last evening, being accompanied also by a brilliant electrical display. Lightning struck several places in Barre and vicinity. In only one case was life kindled in this city. That was in a house on Pleasant street, owned by Peter Marchias and unoccupied.

The fire department was called out at 4:40 by an alarm from box 12, near Whitcomb Bros. shop, the entire equipment responding for the first time in nine weeks and making excellent time. The firemen found the roof blazing considerably but they had little trouble in disposing of the flames with the use of the chemical, no water being turned on. The damage was slight. The "out" signal was given fifteen minutes after the alarm. Chief Gladding being away on his wedding trip, W. E. Beck, first assistant, acted as chief.

Lightning struck the house of E. J. Sowden, 83 Tremont street, and although it did not set any fire it caused considerable consternation in that house and others in that neighborhood. The lightning loosened a few bricks of the chimney and followed the chimney down through the house into the cellar. In its descent it knocked out all the caps and sent the plaster flying in various rooms. Several children of Mr. Sowden and D. J. Morse who live across the street, were in the house and were partially stunned.